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Mr. G. R. PREMAYYA:—"I find that the 'qualification prescribed for the post is a diploma in textiles of the Manchester College of Technology.' Is it meant that no other diploma equivalent to it will be accepted?"

The Hon. Mr. P. T. RAJAN:—"Any other diploma which in the opinion of the Services Commission is considered equivalent to this diploma of the Manchester College of Technology will be accepted."

Veterinary

Savings due to the maintenance of the Serum Institute.

* 476 Q.—Mr. M. B. RANGASWAMI REDDI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) the cost of maintenance of the Serum Institute;

(b) the cost of purchase of serum prior to the establishment of the Serum Institute; and

(c) the savings effected, if any, owing to the Serum Institute?

A.—(a) Rs. 85,600 on an average.

(b) The cost depended on the incidence of the disease. It ranged from 2 lakhs to 3½ lakhs a year.

(c) The savings depend upon the quantity of anti-rinderpest serum produced with reference to the incidence of disease. During the last two years the savings may be taken to average Rs. 1½ lakhs a year.

Land Revenue Administration

Maintenance at the Collector's office of a list of acting clerks in the Revenue Department.

* 477 Q.—Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether a list of acting clerks in the Revenue Department is required to be prepared and kept in the Collector's office in each district;

(b) on what principles such a list is prepared, and on what principles the postings are made from that list; and

(c) whether there are any definite rules for the preparation of such a list and if so, what they are and whether a copy of them will be placed on the table?

A.—(a) to (c) No specific orders on the subject have been issued. The Government presume that the Collectors do, in fact, maintain such lists. The rules governing the appointment, etc., of clerks in the Revenue Department, are the

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General Rules for the Subordinate Services and the Special Rules for the Madras Ministerial Service. These are printed in the Madras Services Manual, Volume II, a copy of which is available in the Secretariat Library.

Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER:—"May I ask the Hon. Member whether specific orders cannot be issued with regard to the preparation of such lists and their verification from time to time, as it would be helpful to the candidates who are in the run, and so that their claims may be considered properly?"

The Hon. Mr. C. A. SOUTER:—"I don't think, Sir, it is a matter for the Government to do."

Denial of preference to persons having kumki rights for darkhast of land on the score of their participation in the Civil Disobedience movement.

* 478 *Q.*—Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT: Will the Hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state whether the assignment on darkhast of land to a person having kumki right is prohibited on the ground that the applicant had participated in the Civil Disobedience movement?

A.—No such orders have been issued by the Government.

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT:—"May I ask what the attitude of the Government on this question is? I ask this question because a specific case has been brought to my notice by a friend of mine. It appears that in the Udipi taluk, probably acting on the report of the tahsildar that the person had taken part in the civil disobedience movement, the authorities did not assign the land to him, although it was kumki?"

The Hon. Mr. C. A. SOUTER:—"No, Sir; as is stated in the answer, no such order was issued by the Government."

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT:—"May I know if a report will be called for?"

The Hon. Mr. C. A. SOUTER:—"The hon. Member's friend has his own remedy."

Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER:—"May I ask, Sir, whether it is the policy of the Government to bring in the question of the civil disobedience movement with regard even to such matters?"

The Hon. Mr. C. A. SOUTER:—"The answer says: 'No such orders have been issued by the Government'."

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT:—"May I know whether it is the intention of the Government that the policy followed during the civil disobedience movement should be continued now also?"

The Hon. Mr. C. A. SOUTER:—"I cannot answer that question."